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No. 103. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department :—

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No. 104. ORDER THEREON, 6th November 1866, No. 3,530.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 14.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division who will report whether there are any means of employing the coolies referred to at the Presidency.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
,, Revenue Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st November 1866.

No. 3. Read the following:—

Extract from the Proceedings of the General Famine Relief Committee, held on the 23rd October 1866.

XVII. "Read the following letter from W. Fraser, Esq., C. E., dated 22nd October 1866:—

DEAR SIR,—It is not true that any public coolies have been refused work at the Red Hills. Up to the present time every Madras cooly—whether fit to work or not—was taken, when he, or she, presented him, or herself.

2. On inspecting the coolies on Friday last, I found that twenty men, ten women, and eight children, were totally unfit for work. These were paid off up to Saturday night, and sent back to Madras.

3. I was always in favor of the coolies getting tickets, but as the Committee said it was troublesome to them, I did not press my opinion.

4. The coolies are in a very low physical and bad moral constitution, and I should be very glad if some arrangements are made to employ them in Madras, where they could go to their homes at night. There are now employed about 480 in all, of whom nearly 300 are men, the rest are women and children.

5. So far as work is concerned, they are worse than useless. At the low rates of 2 Annas a day for men, their labor is six or seven times dearer than ordinary contract work.

6. Cholera broke out amongst them some days ago. I immediately wrote to the Government and to the Head of the Medical Department, who sent out an Apothecary, who is now in charge. There were five deaths, but no cases for some days, and the Apothecary reports that their general health is pretty good.

7. I suppose the Government will send you a copy of the correspondence.

"Resolved that the above letter be submitted to Government, with the Committee's recommendation that arrangements be made, if possible, for the employment of the able-bodied poor of Madras, on some work within the limits of the town."

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Honorary Secretary.

MADRAS,
25th October 1866.

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, 1st November 1866, No. 2,953.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Department Public Works and Municipal Commissioners, in view to employment being afforded, if practicable, in Madras.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.
" the Municipal Commissioners.
" the Relief Committee.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT of Madras

Dated 6 Decr 1865.

The Subg. Engr of the 4th Dn requested Orders to report whether there are any means of employing at the Presidency the Coolies (Madras) at the Red Hills.

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